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Henry K. Craig to John W. Ellis.

G.P.

Ordnance Office,
Washington, Jany 3d. 1860.

In order that arrangements may be made to answer the calls of the States and Territories for arms to be issued during this year under the laws for arming and equipping the militia, you are respectfully requested to inform this office what description of arms will be required by the *State*¹ for the year 1860.

The quota assigned to the State for this year amounts to 422 muskets; *from which being deducted 2/13ths of a musket overdrawn on last year's quota, there are now in all due 421 11/13 muskets.*

The States and Territories are credited with their annual quotas in terms of muskets. If other descriptions of small arms or field artillery are required, they are charged at their cost by their equivalent in muskets, as per accompanying statement.

Requisitions for arms should be transmitted direct to this office, and should state particularly whether the appropriate accoutrements, harness, &c., will be required, with the kind of arms that may be designated, and also the place where and the person to whom they are to be delivered.

No other arms or equipments will be issued but those specified in the annexed statement.

By the existing regulations the arms will be delivered at any place within the *State* situated upon navigable waters, or otherwise easily accessible, which may be designated by the governor or other authorized officer of the *State*.

The United States cannot, however, incur any extraordinary expense for transporting the arms to the interior by land.

*John W. Ellis to John M. Dick.*²

G.L.B.

Executive Department,
Raleigh, Jan. 4. 1860.

I send you herewith a letter from John T. Harriss, disclosing

¹This is a form letter; the portion italicized was filled in by Craig.

²John M. Dick (1791-1861), member of the House of Commons from Guilford County, 1829-1831; Judge of the Superior Court, 1835-1861. Connor, *Manual*, 1913, 448, 633.